



# 21ST CENTURY CLASSROOM

## ASSESSMENT DIVISION

### Important Dates:

~ Spring IRI Alt. Assessment Window April 09 - May 11  
~ Spring IRI Testing: April 9 - May 11 (Reporting closes June 1)

~ ERI Step 1 Closes: May 4  
~ ACCUPLACER Testing: March 26-May 4

## ISAT

### ISEE and ISAT Testing

The SDE has determined that the best course of action is to not upload and merge a second ISEE file into CAL. Instead, the SDE will be matching the CAL and ISEE data to create a single student record for reporting purposes.

What does this mean to you?

1. Data contained in the CAL database will not be overwritten by ISEE; rather, it will be matched to the student demographic information in ISEE.
2. It is important that all information is accurate in ISEE. The ISEE team will be cross-checking ISEE and CAL information to ensure adjustments made in CAL were also made in ISEE.
  - a. If a student has moved during the test window, this change must be shown in ISEE.
  - b. If accommodations were uploaded into CAL, this information must also be uploaded in ISEE.

The ISEE/CAL match will continue through the traditional testing window on Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. You may still test your students through Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup>; however, we ask that all data is updated in the CAL system by Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. Any changes to the data between May 4<sup>th</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup> will not be captured. To avoid making numerous appeals, make sure your student data is clean and accurate prior to Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>.

Please ensure that ALL your student data in the ISEE upload is accurate and reflects the correct accommodations, and other attributes that may have been changed in CAL during the testing preparation.

### UPDATED INFORMATION: Online Audio Testing

Last week we communicated to all districts that an issue had been identified with the online audio tests when using Windows 7 and Mac 10.6 operating systems. We now know that online audio testing with Mac 10.6 is not a problem. Your district and schools can use Mac 10.6 for online audio testing starting immediately.

Online audio testing with Windows 7 computers remains to have issues. There is a work around for those schools using only Windows 7 computers for testing. DRC will be working directly with these districts. If your district has not contacted the ISAT Project Team concerning this issue, please do so immediately.

***AYP targets for the 2011-2012 school year will be held the same for a 4th year:***

**Reading - 85.6%   Math - 83.0%   Language Usage - 75.1%**

As a reminder, this only impacts ISAT audio testing on Windows 7 machines.

If any of your schools have only Windows 7 available for testing please contact the ISAT Project Team at [ISAT@datarecognitioncorp.com](mailto:ISAT@datarecognitioncorp.com), as soon as possible.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause your district. **IF YOU HAVE ANY AUDIO ISSUES, PLEASE CONTACT DRC IMMEDIATELY** at 1-866-572-2050 or e-mail at [ISAT@datarecognitioncorp.com](mailto:ISAT@datarecognitioncorp.com).

For more information please contact Dr. Angela Rishell:

[arishell@sde.idaho.gov](mailto:arishell@sde.idaho.gov) /208-332-6976.

## ISAT Alt. & IRI Alt.

The 2011-2012 ISAT Alt is complete. Idaho had around 1740 students participate in the ISAT ALT and around 53,000 artifacts uploaded into the IPASS system. Please take a moment to thank your district's special education teachers who completed the ISAT Alt. Scoring of the ISAT Alt artifacts ended April 13, 2012. Districts, schools, teachers and parents can expect to have Individual Student Reports available by August 2012.

### IRI Alt Window is Open

#### Spring IRI Alt Assessment Window

**April 09, 2012 - May 11, 2012**

The IRI Alt window is open. The IRI Alt should be administered to all K-2 ~~SHOULDN'T THIS BE K-3?~~ students who **are eligible for an alternate assessment**. Eligible students take **one** of the following:

- Core Phonics Survey
- Student Based Assessment Measure (SAM)

All documents can be found on the Idaho Training Clearinghouse Website under the AA Documents in the Alternate Assessment Learning Community ([itcnew.idahotc.com/jaa/aa-documents.aspx](http://itcnew.idahotc.com/jaa/aa-documents.aspx)).

### Please submit:

1. IRI Alt Cover Sheet
2. Core Phonics Survey Record Form **OR** SAM Packet

**All submissions must be postmarked by JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup> and mailed to:**

Toni Wheeler  
IRI Alt Coordinator  
State Department of Education  
650 W. State St., Floor 2  
Boise, Idaho 83720

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## 21st Century Classroom Assessment Division

### 2012-2013 Assessment Dates

Assessment	2012-2013 Testing Dates/Windows	Other Notes
NAEP	January - February - March, 2013	<b>Idaho's NAEP 2013 Sample Size: Speculation</b> NAEP 2013 again will be a State-NAEP year. The Idaho sample must be large enough to report out reliable state-level results. This means we can expect NAEP to assess grade 4 students in about 160 Idaho elementary schools, grade 8 students in about 115 Idaho mid-level schools, and grade 12 students in about 100 Idaho high schools.
IELA	Pre-ID Window: December 3, 2012 – January 4, 2013 Testing: February 18 - March 29, 2013	Approximate dates for IELA Window
ISAT	April 08 – May 10, 2013	11th-12th grades only retesting in Fall Window: November 12 - December 14, 2012
ISAT - ALT	October 15, 2012 – February 28, 2013	IPASS Closing February 28, 2013 at midnight (12:00 am MST.)
**IRI	Fall - August 20 – September 28, 2012	Fall Reporting Window Closes October 12, 2012
	Spring - April 08 - May 10, 2013	Spring Reporting Window Closes May 24, 2013
IRI-AA	Spring - April 08 - May 10, 2013	K-2 Spring Administration Only – Postmarked by June 03, 2013 (Core Phonics or SAM)
SAT/ACCUPLACER	SAT – Wednesday, April 17, 2013 ACCUPLACER Diagnostic – March 25 to April 3, 2013 ACCUPLACER Placement test for Seniors: TBD	11 <sup>th</sup> Grade only

### IRI/ERI

Spring IRI testing has started. All testing must be complete on or before May 11th. Testing Coordinators, or IRI Coordinators will have until June 1st to upload IRI data onto AIMSweb, [www.aimsweb.com](http://www.aimsweb.com). Please contact AIMSweb support if you have uploading issues, questions, and/or concerns, [support@edformation.com](mailto:support@edformation.com).

### Reminder:

1. Districts will have until **June 15th**, to double check their data on the IRI review site: [www.sde.idaho.gov/DataCollection/IRI/aimssy1112/irireporting/default.asp](http://www.sde.idaho.gov/DataCollection/IRI/aimssy1112/irireporting/default.asp). Funding is tied to these scores so it is critical that all

reporting is complete. All scores entered after June 15th will be reported on the IRI website.

2. **May 4th** is the deadline for the **Extended Reading Intervention Step 1**. There will be no exceptions to this deadline as funding is contingent upon the submission of each school in your districts application.

For more information please contact Stephanie Martin:  
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### Assessment Monitoring Tool

The assessment monitoring tool window has closed. Assessment staff will be contacting districts that have not uploaded information in the Assessment Monitoring Tool, or who still have un-approved submissions.

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**"It takes courage to  
grow up and become  
who you really are."  
~ e.e. cummings ~**

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### IELA

The IELA testing and return shipment window has now closed.

Coordinator and Examiner feedback forms will be emailed to District Test Coordinators' attention shortly. Test Coordinators please distribute them to everyone who participated in the IELA. All feedback is appreciated and will be taken into consideration.

As always, we thank you for all of your hard work and are grateful to you for making this another successful year for the IELA.

#### **Future of IELA:**

We will be moving to a new language proficiency assessment which will eventually replace the IELA. Idaho has joined with a consortium of 29 states, which will develop the ASSETS test. ASSETS stands for Assessment Services Supporting English Learners Through Technology Systems. The system will include a summative language assessment, an on-demand diagnostic screener, formative resources and interim assessments, as well as accompanying professional development materials. All of these components will be grounded in English development standards linked to the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) in English language arts and mathematics. This Consortium will leverage the work of WIDA, a Consortium formed in 2002 with many of the same states.

#### **The timeline for implementation is below:**

**2011-2012 Development**

**2012-2013 Pilot Testing**

**2013-2014 Field Testing**

**2014-2015 Operationalization**



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### SAT/ACCUPLACER



SAT® School Day

Wednesday, April 18th was the first annual SAT Idaho School Day Testing. There were over 17,000 Idaho Juniors tested throughout the state. The College Board had representatives in 10 schools around Idaho to help with implementation, support, and answer questions.

The goal for the new graduation requirement is to ensure that all public high school students have the resources to go onto a post-secondary school. The state understands the financial burden it may have on families to pay for a college entrance exam. With the state paying for the SAT, barriers will be removed and students will have opportunities they may not have had to continue on to a post-secondary school.

Starting March 19th, RoadTrip Nation, the College Board, and the SDE traveled around Idaho promoting SAT awareness and the importance of going onto college. 13 Idaho Schools were visited and each school had the opportunity to participate in a Canvas Contest. The canvas was a way for the students to express "What Inspires Them". The canvas' were posted on Facebook for students to vote on. Sandpoint High School was the winner and was fortunate to have the Roadies from RoadTrip Nation host a BBQ after they took the SAT on the 18th.

**Reminder - Friday, May 4th is the last day to test on the ACCUPLACER. There will be no exceptions to this deadline.**

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### Formative Assessment

The Formative/Interim Assessment team is working to develop professional development on balanced assessment systems and assessment literacy. This training will first be rolled out to ISEE Phase II Grant Sites at the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year. Designed to enhance use of the Schoolnet Assess Module, educators will construct appropriate assessments tied to learning objectives and standards, and use the item bank as a tool for formative classroom assessments.

The open--source Item Bank in Schoolnet currently has approximately 15, 000 items with plans to increase to 45,000 items by September of 2012. Core content areas of Math, ELA, Science and Social Studies are currently represented. Idaho educators have taken part in alignment workshops to align state items to Common Core and Idaho State Standards in Schoolnet. The last of these workshops will take place June 12-13 in Boise. Interested participants should email Nancy directly at [nthomasprice@sde.idaho.gov](mailto:nthomasprice@sde.idaho.gov).

Watch for the Assessment Team at EduSTAT in Boise, June 26 & 27, as well as at the Best Practices Institutes July and August 2012, in New Plymouth, Idaho Falls and Wendell.

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